

# Public Notice of Application for State of Washington 401 Water Quality Certification

**Project Name:** Seattle-to-Tacoma Sounder  
Commuter Rail Easements and Improvements  
(Easement 4)

**Applicant:** Burlington Northern Santa Fe  
Railway

**Project Description:** Track improvements along  
section of rail corridor. Mitigation for 2.84 acres  
of wetland impacts and aquatic impacts would be  
through purchase of credits from the King County  
Mitigation Reserves Program. Mitigation for  
3.06 acres of temporary impacts would be  
through on-site restoration and native plantings.

**Project Location:** BNSF right-of-way, Auburn,  
King County, Washington.

**Public Notice Date: October 22, 2014**  
**Comment Period Ends: November 11, 2014**

**Application and Additional Information:**  
Ecology's Federal Permit Website  
<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/fed-permit/>  
Click on **Northwest Region**.

**NOTE:** This is the second public notice issued  
for this project. BNSF Railway re-applied for  
certification of this project on August 15, 2014.

*To obtain a hard copy of the project information,  
please call 360-407-7421.*

Ecology will review the work pursuant to Section  
401 of the Clean Water Act, with applicable  
provisions of State water pollution control laws.

Ecology is requesting comments from the public,  
state and local agencies, tribes, and other  
interested parties to evaluate the impacts of each  
proposed activity. Conventional mail or e-mail  
comments on this public notice will be accepted  
and made part of the record.

**Comments should be sent to:**  
Department of Ecology—SEA Program  
Federal Project Coordinator  
Post Office Box 47600  
Olympia, Washington 98504  
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[ecyrefedpermits@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:ecyrefedpermits@ecy.wa.gov)

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